

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A wireless communication network provides priority for one type of users over another type of users relative to one or more network finite resources shared by the different types of users. For example, if the available forward link transmit power at a radio base station is being shared by voice and data users, the radio base station may give priority to the voice users by reducing the aggregate amount of power allocated to current data users if the combined level of power usage by the voice and data users reaches a defined release threshold. The release threshold may be set at a call-blocking threshold, such that dynamic release is invoked if the call-blocking level is reached. Other limited resources can be managed similarly, such as by setting a release threshold relative to spreading code usage, etc.